

Springerville Town Council

Minutes

April 16, 2008

6:00 p.m.

Council: Kay Dyson Mayor, Mary Nedrow Vice Mayor, Eric Baca and Pete Hunt

Staff: Steve West Interim Town Manager, Val Cordova Town Clerk, Eduardo Coronado Town Attorney, Larisa Bogardus Community Dev. Tom Malone Public Works Dir. Karen Asquith Finance Dir.

Public: Ron Cavanaugh, Kevin Burn, R. A. Mackenzie, Jennifer Lund, Janeth Boyd, Susan Silva, and Belinda Coffelt.

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by Mayor Dyson
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Baca, Invocation by Mayor Dyson
3. Public Participation: NONE
4. Manager, Council and Chamber Reports:

Councilman Hunt reported there are several people who have volunteered to serve on the cemetery committee. They have done some work projects to straighten up the cemetery with Tom bringing materials to them.

Mr. West reported that park equipment was purchased with funds donated last year and are waiting for its arrival. They will be tearing out all the old equipment and replacing it. There will be a piece of equipment for the older kids here at this park and some smaller equipment at the upper park for the smaller kids for a family friendly place.

Larisa reported that windows, doors, stucco and painting would be priority on the old school. Once the plans are approved they will be able to advertise for bids. This will include the ADA restrooms renovations.

5. Consent Agenda:

- a. Consideration of minutes of the April 2, 2008 town council meeting.
- b. Consideration of the March accounts payable ratification.

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to approve consent agenda items 5a – 5b.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

6. Old Business: NONE

7. Forest Service Contract: Discussion and action regarding the lease of space at the airport to the U.S. Forest Service for fire suppression and authorizing the interim town manager to sign the appropriate documents.

Mr. West explained this is a twenty year lease with an annual renewal to review fees. They will be using this as an attach base.

Larisa reported that we will be making modifications to create helicopters pads out there. There will be a separate agreement when there is a forest fire. They will pay specifically negotiated fees for tie downs, fuel flowage and airport use in general over and above the standard use rates.

Tom reported that the three pads are currently under construction at an estimated price of \$850.00 to \$900.00 each. The contract is contingent on these pads.

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to approve the proposed lease with the USDA Forest Service and authorize the interim manager to sign the appropriate documents.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

8. Tourism Tax Committee: Discussion and action regarding the Tourism Tax Committee.

a. Consider reappointing Buster Madariaga and Roxanne Knight to the Tourism Tax Committee.

Eric Baca/Mary Nedrow motion to reappoint Buster Madariaga and Roxanne Knight to the Tourism Tax Committee.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

b. Consider approval of funding recommendations totaling \$4,850 to the Sheriff's Posse Fourth of July Rodeo, Round Valley Rodeo Club and Trail of Many Tracks.

Mayor Dyson announced that the funding requests are \$1500 for the Trail of Many Tracks, Rodeo Club for \$350.00 and \$3,000 for the Sheriff's Posse for the 4th of July Rodeo for a total of \$4,850.00

Ms. Asquith reported that there is about \$9,000 plus cash carry forward.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

c. Consider appointing a council liaison to the Tourism Tax Advisory Committee.

Vice Mayor Nedrow volunteered to be the council liaison for the Tourism Tax Advisory Committee.

Kay Dyson/Eric Baca motion to appoint Mary Nedrow as council liaison to the Tourism Tax Advisory Committee.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

Councilman Hunt noted his concern with the funds staying in that account for advertising and must have not been at the meeting when they authorized \$10,000 for the chamber. He remembers that they stipulated that these funds would be used only for that. He wondered if this idea had been changed or if this was a desperation move.

He was assured that this was just a desperation move in shuffling money around during the last budget and would not happen again.

9. Small Community Environmental Protection Plan: Discussion and action regarding authorizing staff to proceed with development of an Small Community Environmental Protection Plan with the Arizona Department of environmental Quality.

Ms. Bogardus explained that ADEQ developed a program to assist small communities with guidance through compliance with their rules and regulations.

Pete Hunt/Mary Nedrow motion to authorize staff to proceed with the development of an ADEQ Small community Environmental Protection Plan.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

10. Coalition for solutions through Higher Education: Presentation by Pamela Singh and Christin Levin.

No one was present for the presentation.

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to table this item.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

11. Springerville Municipal Airport: Discussion regarding operating results for December 07 through March 08 for the Airport.

Mr. West explained that we have personnel that have to work double duty to cover both the airport and work in public works department and may have to look at maximizing a part time position to cover the airport on Emilio's days off. He noted that the only way to see what the potential this airport has to offer is to review the budget in six months, nine months and again in one year.

Ms. Asquith reported that the difference in this budget is that the town is now generating revenue that we didn't last year. The airport has generated \$53,000 in revenue in four months. She said she would give the council this report each month along with the regular update. With having monthly numbers we will get an idea of a monthly average cost to run the airport. There are several things that still need to be tied down to make it routine. The fuel revenue went from \$7591 to \$11,000 which is day to day operation than hangar rent.

Mayor Dyson noted that her concern is summer coming and the airport get really busy and asked how this would affect our over time and our ability to provide service.

Tom said they are working to with an economically feasible way to run it.

Larisa said there is an after hours call out fee to help offset some of our costs that the pilots are aware of.

12. Resolution No. 2008-R010: Discussion and action regarding authorizing the town to apply for a loan from Zion's Bank for the purchase of a police car and two aerators for the wastewater treatment plant.

A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the Town of Springerville, Apache County, Arizona, authorizing the Interim Town Manager to sign documents necessary to apply for a loan through Zion's Bank of Salt Lake City, Utah for the purchase of two aerators for the wastewater treatment plant and a police vehicle and declaring an emergency.

Mayor Dyson explained that the town is going out to borrow money for these two items. These items were budgeted this year. The amount of the aerators is \$42,000 and the police vehicle is \$34,569.

Ms. Asquith explained that she had not yet negotiated the loan however the bank has government banking section. The interest rates are currently running at approximately four percent. She said they will analyze what type of payback is best for the budget.

Eric Baca/Mary Nedrow motion to adopt resolution 2008-R010 authorizing the interim town manager to enter into a finance agreement with Zion's Bank for the acquisition of a vehicle for the

Police Department and new aerators for the Wastewater Treatment Plan in an amount not to exceed \$77,219.00.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

13. Executive Session:

- a. Consider entering into executive session to discuss the town manager position.
- b. Any action/discussion as a result of the executive session.

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to adjourn into executive session at 6:39 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to reconvene the regular meeting at 7:39 p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

Mary Nedrow/Pete Hunt motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39p.m.

Vote:	Ayes:	Kay Dyson
		Mary Nedrow
		Eric Baca
		Pete Hunt

Kay Dyson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Town Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Springerville Town Council in regular session on Wednesday, April 16, 2008. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and a quorum was present.

Dated this 17th day of April, 2008

Town Clerk